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Ben Gratton takes to the air as he races downhill at Sir Sam's. See story on page 18.

Transport battle puts Relay in jeopardy

New program fee for cancer patients 'not acceptable' for Highlands

By Matthew Desrosiers
 Editor

The Haliburton County Relay for Life committee has pulled its support for the event after the Canadian Cancer Society (CCS) decided to implement a \$100 registration fee to new transportation clients, effective Oct. 1.

The society made the announcement on Sept. 10, citing the rising cost of

administering the program. According to a CCS press release, the society spends more than \$6 million annually on the transportation program, which provides cancer patients a means of getting to their various appointments.

Aggie Tose, chair of the Haliburton Relay for Life committee, said the committee does not have the power to cancel the event – it belongs to the CCS – however they are

stopping all their preparations.

"We will not be meeting to make any plans for the event, nor will we be soliciting teams of sponsors for the event."

According to Tose, it is the committee that puts in most of the leg work to organize the Relay.

"We organized the whole event," she said. "They have a staff person who attended periodic meetings to be sure were doing

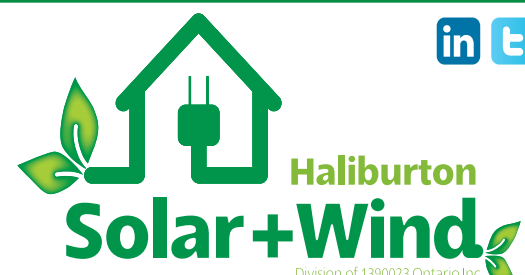
everything according to the bylaws of the [CCS]. Other than that we arranged everything."

She said if the CCS decides to reverse their decision on the fee, the committee would meet and consider resuming preparations.

"[Transportation service] was the only thing we had that we could honestly say was being kept in the community," said Tose.

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Cancer patients shouldn't have to grovel: Tose

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"We were paying for our patients to have their transportation cared for. They didn't have that extra worry on their plate, along with cancer, paying their bills and no work."

The CCS has said it will still run the Relay for Life event as planned in Minden on June 13 despite the committee's announcement. They also said there is a compassionate program available for people who are unable to pay the fee so

that they will not miss appointments.

Last year, 102 county residents used the transportation service. Although these people are already registered and would not be required to pay the fee, and despite the compassionate program for low-income patients, Tose said no cancer patient should have to pay.

"You shouldn't have to be grovelling for money when you're trying to keep yourself alive with cancer," she said. "We are not able to accept this charge in any form on our friends and family in

Haliburton County."

In this year's 2013 Relay, teams raised \$92,400 which was down 34 per cent over the previous year. That's why the Haliburton committee gave the CCS a list of suggestions on ways to save money, including changing the time of the event so you don't need tents, or to feed as many people.

"If you don't go all night, you don't have to burn 12-hour candles," she said.

Tose said in a press release that the society locked in on the transportation

program without reducing other areas to help make up the necessary funds.

"They have to make savings all over," she said. "They're obviously not forecasting correctly."

She said the committee felt as though the discussion prior to the CCS making their decision was how to get the most money without upsetting urban support, and that this is an unfair tax on rural cancer patients who rely on volunteer drivers.

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Health plan moves forward

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) and Community Care Haliburton County (CCHC) could become one entity as early as 2015 as part of the integration process started in November 2012.

The plan to merge the two organizations is outlined in the proposed draft integrated governance and service delivery model that was released on Sept. 16.

Back in November, the Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN), of which Haliburton County is a part, decided that the county's health services needed to explore integration opportunities with the City of Kawartha Lakes. To that end, the Haliburton County/City of Kawartha Lakes Integration Planning Team (IPT) was formed.

The group met almost weekly, beginning in January, to look at ways they could integrate their services and streamline delivery of those services for clients. The group consisted of HHHS, SIRCH Community Services, CCHC, Community Care City of Kawartha Lakes, Ross Memorial Hospital, and the Victorian Order of Nurses, Peterborough, Victoria, Haliburton (VON).

The draft plan is the result of those meetings and is available for public viewing at www.centraleastlin.on.ca.

The highlight of the draft plan is the creation of a new governing body, referred to as 'One Entity' in the document, with a single board of governors. It would be responsible for providing LHIN-funded acute and community-based services, including all services provided by HHHS, all services provided by CCHC, hospice and palliative services provided by SIRCH, and adult day programs provided by the VON.

"It will mean that HHHS and Community Care will come together into one organization," said HHHS CEO Varouj Eskedjian, although exactly

how that's going to happen hasn't been determined yet. "The plan calls for one organization, one board, and the transfer of services from SIRCH and the VON into this one organization."

Maureen Ruttig, CCHA executive director, said it's an opportunity to be creative and innovative in the community.

"It's time to create something," she said. "We're laying the foundation for health and community services in this county for years to come. It's always about the clients, so it's going to be client focused."

Eskedjian said the IPT discussed many different models before agreeing to the one entity model. They used a dozen different criteria to evaluate their options, including access, quality of care, economics, volunteers, and local fundraising capabilities.

"Those things really influenced why the proposed one organization model made some sense for this community," he said.

According to the draft plan, this model will allow county residents to maintain local autonomy and management over county-specific services. It would improve efficiency between frontline and back office functions, allow for streamlined volunteer recruiting, and could lead to improved recruitment and retention of staff.

The plan also states transferring hospice and palliative to the one entity would benefit clients because they would have access to a broad range of services through the larger organization. SIRCH and the VON will not be joining this one organization. Only their LHIN-funded services are being changed over.

Ruttig said she is not concerned that any of the CCHC's services will be lost

in the transition.

"Our services are funded by the LHIN," she said. "We are under a multi-sector service agreement plan to deliver those services."

Bringing all of the services together into one organization will be beneficial, she said.

"The vast majority of our clients utilize the whole basket of services. I think bringing them all together will only enhance the services."

The draft plan also outlines some of the service agreements between HHHS and Ross Memorial Hospital.

Now that it is available for the public to see, members of the IPT are asking

their organizations, and members of the public, to fill out a survey about the plan. It is available on the LHIN's website now until Oct. 11.

"The intent... is to gather as much input from people that receive services in this community [as possible]," Eskedjian said.

From there, the IPT will do a final revision

of the draft before sending it to each organization's respective board of directors for review, hopefully in November. From there, the Central East LHIN will have a final vote on whether or not to proceed with the plan, based on input from the boards.

Eskedjian said implementation planning could begin as early as January 2014, with actual implementation beginning in April.

"It will take time for this to take place," he said. "It won't be an easy thing to manage, and it will take time."

The IPT is planning public consultation sessions across the county. The first is at the Great Hall in Fleming College on Oct. 1 at 7 p.m. The second is in Minden at Hyland Crest on Oct. 2 at 2 p.m., and the third is at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce on Oct. 8 at 7:30 p.m.

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Varouj Eskedjian
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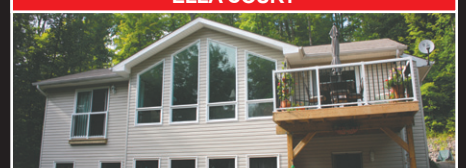
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Editorial opinion

Left behind

The Canadian Cancer Society is one of those charities you donate to because you trust they're working for the greater good.

People in this community donate because we know there are programs out there that have helped us, our loved ones, and countless other cancer patients either get the treatment they needed or other support. We know these services need our assistance to keep going.

In the Highlands, one of those programs we can take advantage of is transportation.

Everyone knows poverty is an issue facing the county, but we're also an aging and isolated population. Having volunteers available to drive patients to and from appointments and treatment sessions is a big help up here. That's one less thing they need to worry about, and it gives them the ability to focus on getting well.

It also saves a working person having to take a day off to drive a friend or relative into the city for appointments.

But the program is going through a change, and it's for the worse.

Effective Oct. 1, the Canadian Cancer Society will start charging \$100 to new clients who sign up for the transportation program. According to their press release, it's to help them cover some of the \$6 million it takes to administer the program. They anticipate the fee will cover 15 to 18 per cent of the cost.

The Society also promises that no one will be left behind, and that there are funds available for those who can't

afford the fee.

Cancer patients are already scared and tired. Some have lost their jobs, money is tight, and in order to get to their next appointment they have to scrape up another \$100. What's worse is making someone — a person who is fighting for his or her life — beg for help when it should be freely given without hassle or question.

The response from Highlanders was swift and severe.

Haliburton County's Relay for Life committee has pulled its support of the event. Until the fee is revisited, the committee will not help organize the Relay, nor will it solicit donations or sponsors.

Why should we use our resources to support an organization that fails to consider the needs of this community? It took courage for the committee to stand up for their community like that. They may take some heat, but people in Haliburton County should be proud our volunteers have the integrity to recognize when something is wrong and do something about it instead of following blindly.

The transportation program is a relatively small one that helps people in the Highlands wake up in the morning and fight the good fight. Charging for it is kicking them while they're down, and that's just not fair.



By Matthew Desrosiers

Keep it real

"Vendors [of electronic voting systems] may come and they may say they've solved the Internet voting problem for you, but I think that, by and large, they are misleading you, and misleading themselves as well."

— Ron Rivest, as quoted in the *MIT Technology Review* (2012). Rivest is a professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and co-inventor of RSA, the (cryptographic) mathematical algorithm on which most of today's Internet security is based.



By Bram Lebo

I've never met Ron Rivest, but his accomplishments loomed large at two electronic payments companies I worked for in the late 1990s. He was one of the fathers of public key encryption, a system which allows people to exchange confidential information over public networks and which was essential for the online payment software (similar to PayPal and BitCoin) we were building.

Even then, my colleagues and I knew the limitations of Internet security. We knew that the US government considers any system it can't break to be a weapon, as in selling or giving it to the wrong people without a licence makes you a terrorist — yes, you read that correctly: math crimes. That means any commercially-available software has to have a back door to the US spy agencies, a fact that was widely publicized and understood only this past summer in the *The Guardian* newspaper and *The New York Times*. Internet communication — even on Blackberries — has never been totally secure for that reason and because, along with governments, criminals can use back doors too.

We also knew that no matter how elegant and air-tight the cryptography, there would always be ways to crack it, at least indirectly. The same article of the *MIT Technology Review* quoted above goes on to describe a test from 2010. Washington DC had sent voters a unique code they could use to vote online, and election officials invited computer scientists to try to hack it. The experts quickly found an error in the software that allowed them to, in their words, "completely steal the election."

Electronic voting can be hacked before the unique codes are received by voters, either in the municipal office itself or in transit. Because the "signature" is digital, it's impossible to tell if the right person voted — a spouse or child could easily impersonate you, as could a neighbour or complete stranger.

If the code does get received safely by the voter, it's still not secure. Viruses and malware on your computer can redirect it to someone else or change your vote without anyone even knowing. It's not even necessary to understand computer programming to hack an election: just send fake letters to people, directing them to vote on a fake website. The real codes can then be diverted to you (by a pal in the municipal office or anyone else in the chain) and you can vote multiple times, however you like. Nobody would ever know, because the real voters will think they've voted.

In fact, there are so many potential problems with electronic voting that a cybersecurity advisor at the US Department of Homeland Security told attendees last year at an industry conference that, "it is premature to deploy Internet voting in real elections at this time."

Old fashioned as it may seem, our current system of paper ballots is a model of democratic accountability.

Paper ballots involve many people, all observing one other, all ensuring that the vote is fair, open and accurate. Even special ballots (mail-in) require a signature that can be verified later if necessary. The system deliberately avoids putting trust into people or objects; everything is watched, sealed and verified.

With electronic voting, the entire process is secret. The identification codes sent to voters are secret. The software that does the counting is proprietary, and secret. Confirming eligibility and voting are done in secret. Worse, any paper trail in case of errors or disputes is no more reliable than the secret software and secret equipment producing it.

Online voting doesn't even save money: savings in personnel must be spent on technology, vendor management, and regular software upgrades.

I suppose if you trust everyone who has access to municipal records; if you trust the software company to be better than Microsoft and not vulnerable to thousands of viruses and hacks; if you trust your wife or six-year old or mailman not to use your code; if you trust that nobody would ever try to trick you the same way fake e-mails pretending to be from your bank do every day; if you trust your Internet service provider not to let the government spy on you; well, then you may be ok with online voting.

Why would anyone want to rely on so much trust, among so many people at so many levels, for something as important as an election? If someone can't be bothered to put a ballot in the mail, perhaps it's not worth degrading our voting system to get the dubious benefit of their pyjama-clad political opinion.

Elections are a right and privilege of citizenship. Demanding minimal effort and minimal expenditure, from voters and our municipalities respectively, is not too much to ask. Minden Hills would do well to reverse course and to keep the system that through its transparency and simplicity has multiple layers of accountability built-in, and a near-perfect track record since our nation's founding.

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Letters to the editor

Hydro herbicide hidden hazards: neither safe nor approved

Dear editor,

The deplorable legacy of herbicide and pesticide misuse is much like an onion. It has many layers and a very distinct smell.

“Garlon RTU is a safe product when applied properly by our licensed applicators and is approved by Health Canada for the work we do (see Lake association stops Hydro herbicide, The Highlander issue 91, pg. 1).”

Some research at the Minden Library revealed the above statement by Tiziana Baccega Rosa, senior media relations officer for Hydro One, to be misleading, irresponsible, and factually incorrect.

Health Canada’s Pesticide Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) evaluates products for “registration” under the Pest Control Products Act and Regulations (PCPA). The words “safe” and “approved” are not used by the PMRA in documents for registered pesticides. They appear nowhere within the required Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) or label information provided by Garlon RTU’s manufacturer, Dow AgroSciences.

Dow was fined \$2 million (US) for false safety claims in pesticide advertising.

Health Canada and Hydro One/Ontario Hydro have a shameful history in exposing employees, the public, and the environment to toxic pesticides. This is a matter of public record.

Dr. Shiv Chopra, a career scientist with Health Canada, and a few brave colleagues resisted senior management’s pressure to allow the registration of Monsanto’s bovine growth hormone. Monsanto wouldn’t submit the required toxicity studies. “They opposed a series of prime ministers and health ministers who had little or no concern for public safety. Dr. Chopra and some fellow scientists were fired under highly questionable circumstances (Memoirs of a Health Canada

Whistleblower, 2008).”

Can we assume that no conflict of interest remains within Health Canada?

The active ingredient of Garlon RTU which all safety and toxicity evaluations were based is “tryclopypyr-butotyl.” This substance has been shown through lab tests to cause cancer, genetic damage, and reproductive problems. The MSDS “Emergency Overview” states “Toxic to aquatic organisms and birds.”

Note that the hidden hazard is the breakdown product “trychloro-pyridinol” (TCP) which in a 1991 issue of the Bulletin of Environmental Contamination and Toxicology is identified as “significant from a toxicological viewpoint.” TCP disrupts nervous system development (children), mitochondria function (cell energy), is very mobile in soil (groundwater), and often more persistent than the registered substance. “Health Canada rarely considers such breakdown products during its registration process (Suzuki Foundation).”

Investigations by the Toronto Star in 2011 led to an Ontario Government committee on the provincial use of Agent Orange. “Hydro, road and forestry workers in Ontario were exposed to Agent Orange – the same weed-killing, disease-causing chemical used during the Vietnam War – in some cases by levels 700 times what is considered safe.” Discontinued by US in 1971 due to laboratory test birth defects, Ontario Hydro continued until 1979 (The Star, Aug. 15 2013).”

Health Canada and Hydro One serve us, not the Monsanto’s and Dow’s. They are expressly bound to apply the precautionary principle to protect us and our environment from harm. Hydro One’s use of Garlon RTU should stop, pending an independent review of its registration.

John Gibb
Minden

Photo of the week



Photo by Tammy Nash

This snake was found slithering through a tree.

Opera hits high note

Dear editor,

I was lucky enough to be asked to the performance of La Traviata at the Northern Lights Pavilion. I thought, what an interesting evening out, at the opera in Haliburton. Wow, was I surprised!

It was wonderful and professional. The performances were first-class. The

musicianship by both cast and instrumental ensemble were every bit worth the price of admission. This was my first show by the Highlands Opera Studio group and definitely not my last. Thank you to Richard Margison and all the financial supporters for this.

Mary Kettrick
Oshawa

— Dreaming of dirt

Sometimes something, and it can be just a little thing, makes you yearn for better days, a simpler life, a time when everything wasn’t such hard work.

Think of when you are filling in your tax return. Oh what a gigantic pain in the proverbial backside that is. Wasn’t life so much brighter, so less cruel before you had to do tax returns? Those heady days of childhood and adolescence when the only ‘tax’ you thought of or even knew about were the ones used to pin posters of your favourite pop or sports star to your bedroom wall.

How about a time before home computers? I’m sure many of you can remember that, when e-mails and texts didn’t exist and you had to call someone on the telephone, write a letter, or, God forbid, actually pop round to see them if you wanted a chat. The computer has made almost everything we do so much faster and more efficient but don’t you sometimes yearn for a life more personal, less complex and devoid of msgs, lol, lmao and wtf’s?

It was one of these moments that I had the

other day when helping a friend dig holes to pour new concrete piers for his shed. I thought ‘WTF!’, and I also yearned. I longed for the green and pleasant land of my birth: the rolling hills of central England. The luscious grass, the rich dark soil, and most of all the lack of rocks!

The sweat dripped off of me as I toiled in the heat, not digging because I can’t remember extracting a single good clean shovelful of dirt without being impeded by rocks, stones and roots. I was scraping, carving, heaving, pulling and scratching the dirt from the ground. I lost count of the innumerable times that the shovel blade twanged and sparked, sending numbing reverberations up my arms as it came down hard upon pieces of your precious Canadian shield. I cursed and sat back on the edge of my hole, leaning against a pile of rubble. I pushed one grapefruit-sized boulder to the side and thought of the times when I’d moaned about helping my dad dig our garden back in England. How I wished for that easy slide of spade into soil now; that satisfying

sight of a shovelful of firm black soil being lifted, turned and dropped back into the hole.

I looked again at my pile of rocks and dirt and marvelled at the mountainous task that the first settlers to Haliburton’s Highlands undertook as they cleared forest and turned bush into farmland. The hours, days, months that they must have spent picking rocks from their cleared lots in order that they might scratch out a meagre living in this sparse sandy layer that cloaks the rocks on which we live.

I certainly didn’t wish for that simpler life.

My friend looked at me and smiled. He wiped the sweat from his brow and said: “Kind’ a boney isn’t it?”

I laughed long and hard. “Boney! That’s one way of describing it,” I snorted. “How about the most God-forsaken, inhospitable, stupidly difficult to dig pile of dirt that I’ve ever come across in my entire bloody life!” I retorted, before bursting out laughing again. He smiled, stood up and stretched his back then responded. “That’s Haliburton for you, lots of hard work but funny, too!”

The Outsider



By Will Jones

We worked for the rest of the day, slowly scratching away at the dirt, our mission to get to bedrock or that magical depth of four feet – below the frost line (something else I didn’t have to deal with in Blighty). The sweat, or “butter”, as my friend called it, just rolled off of me but as I dug I soothed my aching limbs with daydreams, or maybe hallucinations about the soil of my childhood, so rich, so deep, so so so devoid of stones.

By the end of the day, I think my friend thought he’d broke me. We weren’t finished, not by a long shot, but the weekend was upon us, a long weekend no less. My friend shot me a glance: “Had enough of Haliburton’s boney soil?” he ventured with a sly grin.

I thought for a moment, wistfully recollecting images of English dirt, then said: “For now but I’ll be back. See you next Tuesday.”

Highlander opinion

Eye on the street: What do you think about being able to vote online for a municipal election?



Jan Adams
Gooderham

This is good, a definite yes. Cottagers and seasonal residents will be able to vote. But it will put up barriers for the elderly and those without computers or computer skills.



John Ellis
Minden

I prefer that people go to the polling stations. After reading about Google and them being able to read your e-mails I certainly worry about privacy.



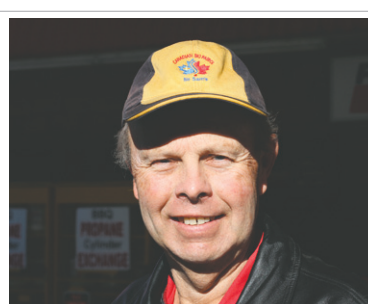
Brian Austen
Minden

I do not think that you should be able to do that. I feel you should vote in person as we always have done in the past.



Jim McKinnon
Minden

I do not like the idea. When you are online you might not understand the program and the questions and then you might not do it correctly.



Rob Lucas
Minden

I am for anything that saves the taxpayers money and do away with any government bureaucracy, so that is fine with me.

Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin

Online voting coming to Minden Hills

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Minden Hills residents won't be voting by mail in the 2014 election.

Instead, they'll be asked to vote by way of the Internet or telephone.

During a Sept. 12 committee-of-the-whole meeting, township CAO Nancy Wright-

Laking recommended that councillors adopt these alternative voting methods.

"Voting using the Internet or telephone is seen as the method of voting for the future," said Wright-Laking in her report. "Society's heavy reliance on the Internet, along with vast improvements in the ability to keep votes and the voting system secure make this the right time to introduce Internet and

telephone voting to the Township of Minden Hills."

In the 2010 election, the vote by mail method was used.

"It does require significant staff time," Wright-Laking told councillors. "It's a very manual process – that's both prior to the election and on election day."

The 2010 election, which cost the municipality just over \$32,000, yielded a 45 per cent voter turnout. Wright-Laking reported that this number is "misleading" because it doesn't include the amount of staff time required to administer an election via this method.

The CAO said that due to advancements in technology, online voting is now a very secure process. It will also make voting more accessible to seasonal residents who are not in the area at the time of the election.

"They can do it 24 hours of the day, seven days a week during the vote. It is a progressive method and it accommodates the changing lifestyles that we have in our society."

Wright-Laking said she has engaged in many conversations with the County of Haliburton and the four other municipalities about utilizing these alternative methods. So far, both Dysart et al and Algonquin Highlands have expressed an interest in adopting online voting.

"[We] hope that if we do go forward with this option, that we will be able to find a lot of ways to work together to ensure that the vote for the county and municipalities will be inclusive... and we'll be able to share a lot of the advertising and marketing for it."

This will be the ninth election that Wright-Laking has been involved with over the course of her career.

"I have used all of the voting methods,"

she said.

In 1997, Wright-Laking was part of one of the 10 municipalities that piloted vote by mail. While serving as the clerk for the City of Peterborough, she ran two elections – 2006 and 2010 – that included Internet voting.

"In 2006, Peterborough was the first municipality in Canada to include Internet voting and vote anywhere technology," she said.

In 2010, 44 municipalities used Internet voting, said Wright-Laking.

Councillor Lisa Schell was pleased to hear about the voting technology, but wondered if it would be possible to have one polling station available to those who are unsure about submitting their vote online.

"I am very reluctant to have an additional way of voting," said Wright-Laking. "It's a challenge to run two types of elections and the cost also escalates

with that type of election."

Councillor Brigitte Gall said it would be imperative to make seasonal residents aware of the fact that they can vote in the election even if they own property elsewhere.

"They get those ballots in the mail and they make the assumption that they cannot vote here, even though that's often been repeated," said Gall.

"We would make it very, very clear," responded Wright-Laking. "We really will be doing a lot of work with this."

Wright-Laking estimated that online and telephone voting will cost anywhere between \$28-35,000. The budget for the 2014 election is \$40,000.

One of the next steps will be to put out a request for proposals to companies that provide this service, she said.

Voting using the Internet or telephone is seen as the method of voting for the future.

Nancy Wright-Laking
CAO, Minden Hills Township

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Highlander news

Temporary ramps to boost accessibility

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

They come in a variety of vibrant colours and are meant to help break down some of the physical barriers in communities.

These temporary ramps already can be found in urban centres like Toronto, Orillia and Stouffville, and soon they just might make their debut in Minden Hills.

"In all of Ontario, there are 88 locations that have placed these portable ramps," said Angela Andrews, representative of the Aging Well Committee, at a Sept. 12 committee-of-the-whole council meeting. "The benefits of having a ramp are that it's more inclusive and inviting to store patrons."

In 2009, the Aging Well Committee – which is a group made up of seniors – received federal funding to undertake a study to determine the barriers facing the aging population.

"One of the things that has come out of the survey is accessibility," said Andrews.

"We came up with this idea of following what StopGap has done."

The StopGap project was founded by Luke Anderson, a Toronto resident who became disabled following a serious mountain biking accident. Anderson created the temporary ramps, which feature a slip-resistant surface and come in one standard size.

"It's not just for older adults or seniors, it's for anybody who can't get in and out," said Andrews. "We all know that in Haliburton County, specifically in our villages, it is pretty difficult to get in and out of the storefronts."

Andrews pointed out that the township's draft official plan calls for a more accessible downtown core.

The way the program works, explained Andrews, is that local businesses such as building supply stores would donate the materials to build the ramps. Volunteers would then construct the ramps, resulting in no cost to the business or township.

"They would all be made to a standard

size for the stores," said Andrews, adding that each ramp would come in a bright colour to "raise awareness" and so that they would be seen.

Andrews explained that in Minden Hills, sidewalks fall under three zoning categories – the "shy zone", walkway, buffer zone or curb zone.

"We know that the sidewalk width is about 4.1 metres or 13.5 feet. We know that the waste receptacles... are about 24 inches deep. So what we're looking at is not having the ramp extend further than what's already in place in that shy zone area."

Currently, Andrews said that the committee is looking at obtaining more information from other communities about the ramps. They will provide a presentation to councillors in Dysart et al, and work with the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce to "see if there are specific sites in the two communities that would be willing to take this on."

"We're quite excited about it," she said.

Andrews asked for council's approval to use the sidewalk in the shy zone area, and to engage with businesses in the community to determine if anyone would like to take the initiative on as a pilot project.

Since the ramps would be created for businesses with one step only, councillor Brigitte Gall asked if future consideration would be given to businesses with more than one step.

"At this point, we're mainly focusing on the one step," said Andrews, explaining that it might be something the group would consider in the future.

Reeve Barb Reid said she first heard about the StopGap project when she sat on the county's accessibility committee and thought it was an "interesting approach."

Reid recommended that staff decide whether to provide a blanket approval or site-specific approvals.

Council agreed to refer the matter to staff.



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Dale Walker delivers her report to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation's board of directors.

Hospital foundation reaches \$1M milestone

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

It's been a million-dollar year for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF).

Peter Oyler, chair of the HHHSF board, said the organization grossed over \$1 million in 2012-2013.

"People are dedicated to giving dollars to where they know they're going to be used, and used well," he said.

The foundation received \$306,375 in donations from businesses, individuals and corporations, \$446,315 through the Special Gift program, and raised \$171,277 through fundraising. Another \$78,462 was received through donations from community organizations, memorials, and investment income.

John West delivered the auditor's

report from McColl Turner LLP. He said expenditures were up this year over last, specifically related to the new lottery and the sale of stuffed bears.

"When I look at the statement of financial position and see the results over the past few years, it's almost like the foundation has hit a maturation point," he said. "The results of the Special Gift program and success of other donations and fundraisers certainly seems to me [that] the foundation is on the threshold of taking another step."

Varouj Eskedjian, Haliburton Highlands Health Services CEO, said he's been impressed with the foundation over the first eight months of his time at the hospital.

"It's a partnership," he said. "Through our partnership, that's how we'll be able to achieve things. We cannot stand alone,

we cannot work alone. We need the support of our partners, and you're one of our partners."

He said the foundation's success this year demonstrates the commitment and generosity of the community.

"It says they truly value the services [we] provide to this community."

Eskedjian said the foundation provided \$300,000 to replace x-ray machines in the hospitals, as well as purchasing new monitoring systems.

"It enables us to provide the latest technology to our clinicians so they can in turn provide the best possible services to our patients," he said. "On behalf of our staff, our physicians and our volunteers, I want to thank the foundation and this community for their support this past year."

— OPP Briefs

Forest break-in charges

A Camarvon man has been charged in connection with several break and enters at the Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve.

Kyle Mann, 41, was charged with six counts of break and enter into a dwelling with the intent to commit an indictable offence, six counts of possession of property obtained by crime under \$5,000, possession of break-in instruments, and unauthorized possession of a weapon.

According to the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), the break-ins happened on Aug. 27. Mann allegedly broke into several seasonal trailers on Macdonald Lake and stole generators, power and hand tools, and fishing equipment.

The police laid the charges after executing a search warrant on Mann's residence in Camarvon.

He is scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on Nov. 6 to answer to the charges.

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Meetings and Events

September 24

4:30 pm, Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting,
Minden Hills Cultural Centre, Common Room

September 26

9:00 am, Regular meeting of Council
Minden Council Chambers
(public session 10:00am)

October 2

8:30 am, Disaster Relief Committee meeting,
Minden Hills Cultural Centre, Common Room

Public Skating

S.G Nesbitt Memorial Arena
Every Wednesday & Sunday from 12 noon to 2 pm
Helmets recommended

Please call Jane Harrison, CSD Administrative Assistant at 705-286-1936 for details and schedule updates

Call for Tender – RDS 13-001

The Township of Minden Hills is selling, by sealed tender bid, the following item:

- 1 x 2002 Volvo Tandem Dump Truck with a Volvo 305 Hp engine, 10 speed transmission, 20,000 front, 40,000 Hendrickson Rubber Block rear end, 13 foot Viking Pro Line U Body Sander and 11 foot power tilt front Plow and 9 foot cable leveling wing.

Sealed Tender Bids can be submitted clearly marked "2002 Volvo Tandem Truck Tender" on or before September 26, 2013 12:00:00 noon local time to:

Clerk's Office, 2nd floor
Township of Minden Hills
7 Milne Street, PO Box 359
Minden ON K0M 2K0

Attention: Kevin Hill, Roads Superintendent

Please contact Kevin Hill at khill@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-3144 for inquiries.

Tender bid prices must show HST separately. Tender bids received by the deadline will be opened the same day at 1:30 pm in the 2nd floor boardroom. Payment must be made by Cash or Certified Cheque only, which must be received by the Township on or before September 27, 2013 12:00:00 noon. Truck and Equipment are sold "where is" and "as is"

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Irondale Community Centre Dinner

September 21, 2013

Scalloped potato & ham dinner at the Galway Hall.
Doors open at 5 pm. Dinner served at 6 pm.
Tickets are \$12.00 per person.

Contact Jean Neville at jneville@mindenhills.ca for tickets or pay at the door.



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A River Runs Through - Haliburton Forest
By Carole Finn and Charles O'Neil

AND

Scars
By Laurie O'Reilly
September 24 – November 2, 2013

Double Opening Reception and Artist Talk September 28 at 1pm Calligraphy

Learn about and see demonstration by
Judith Bainbridge
Thursday, September 19 6:30pm-8pm,
in the Common Room

Encaustic—Painting with Wax Pigments
Learn about and see demonstrations by
Laura Culic
Saturday, September 21 1pm-3pm,
in the Common Room

Demonstrations are admission by donation.

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A celebration of our Heritage and the pioneers who settled Minden

Minden Hills Museum Annual Heritage Dinner



Saturday, September 28

Cocktails 6:00 – 6:30 Dinner 6:30 – 7:30

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Apple stuffed pork loin
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The Community Services Department
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Please visit www.mindenhills.ca for full details.

Call for Tender - RDS 13-002

The Township of Minden Hills is selling, by sealed tender bid, the following item:

- 1 x 2007 Ford F150 4x4 Pickup Truck with an 8 foot box, 4 speed automatic transmission, 5.4 V8 engine, red colour, 176,184 km

Sealed Tender Bids can be submitted, clearly marked "2007 Ford F150 4x4 Tender" on or before September 26, 2013 12:00:00 noon local time to:

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Invitation to Advertise

Local business owners in the
Village of Minden
are invited to participate in an advertising
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There are 2 mobile signs, located on
Hwy 35 beside the Tourism Office and on
Water Street near the Canadian Tire entrance.

Please contact the
Administrative Assistant at
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Highlander news



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Protesters rally out front of the Dysart et al municipal office.

Keep science alive, demands Haliburton rally

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

County residents fed up with federal cuts to science programs and research took to the streets to participate in the 'Stand up for science' day of protest.

The Sept. 16 rally was part of a nationwide action organized by Evidence for Democracy, a group of scientists, researchers and citizens

concerned about the diminishing role of science in the Canadian government's decision making, according to their website.

Seventeen rallies were organized in cities across the country, including Ottawa and Toronto.

Carol Kilby was marching through Haliburton Village with her sign held high. "[This is] important because their muzzling of scientists has directly affected

the awareness of climate change and its impact on all aspects of Canadian life," she said. "Most Canadians aren't realizing how dependant we are on scientists for making decisions wisely."

Dave Collacutt is also concerned about how the government is making its decisions.

"We're worried that the federal government is moving away from using evidence when they are decision making," he said. "When

you get rid of scientists, then you don't need evidence. You can make decisions based on ideology, and that's dangerous in any context."

Haliburton protesters sent a letter to MP Barry Devolin in conjunction with their protest, calling for a commitment to return to science-based decision making in the government.

Minden Hills targets fireworks in updated noise bylaw

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Making "loud" or "offensive" noise in Minden Hills could land you a \$500 fine.

During a Sept. 12 committee-of-the-whole meeting, councillors received a recommendation from staff to adopt a new noise bylaw, which includes guidelines on the use of fireworks in the township.

The bylaw, which was presented to council by chief building officer Colin McKnight, states: "No person shall make, cause, or permit to be made, either on a highway or elsewhere in the municipality, any unnecessary noise or unnecessary sounds which disturbs the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of any person or is the result of any activities described in Schedule A..."

A total of 12 prohibitions fall under Schedule A. Some of these include a vehicle's tires squealing, persistent barking or calling made by household animals or birds, loud music, and noises made by auditory signalling devices such as bells, gongs and sirens.

Some of the 13 exceptions to the bylaw include operation of emergency and municipal vehicles, midways and circuses approved by the municipality, and agricultural activities on agricultural properties.

Under the bylaw, the setting off of fireworks would only be permitted on Victoria Day, Labour Day, New Year's Eve between dusk and 1 a.m., and Canada Day along with its preceding and following weekends.

The noise bylaw has been a topic of

discussion for councillors for the past several months.

Councillor Brigitte Gall said the bylaw would allow residents to take action when it comes to excessive noise.

"It would give residents an opportunity to call these individuals or go over and say, 'It's after 11. The bylaw states that this has to be shutdown,'" she said.

Gall, a Minden resident, said fireworks are routinely set off in her neighbourhood after 11 p.m.

Councillor Jean Neville said the township's current bylaw has "no teeth in it."

"I guess having some sort of a guideline is more finite than just any time," said Neville.

Reeve Barb Reid said that the purpose of the bylaw was to prohibit loud noise

regardless of what time of the day it was being made.

"The improvements are in the reporting process and the fact that every complaint is going to be followed up on, provided that a complaint form is signed by the person making a complaint," she said. "I think that's going to make this bylaw much more actionable than people who would phone up the next day, complaining about a party the night before, saying you can't use my name, you can't do anything with it."

Councillor Ken Redpath also felt that staff should be able to put a stop to excessive noise during the day.

"I certainly wouldn't want us to lose the ability to enforce it 24/7," he said.

McKnight said that only the fireworks portion of the bylaw indicates set hours.

Highlander arts

Terry Fox movie memories

The annual Terry Fox run took place this past Sunday in Minden and Haliburton. As a reporter I covered the event several times over the years, but there was a time when I had a small role in helping the legend of Terry Fox reach a wider audience.

Although I never met Terry personally I did meet his doppelganger while working on the movie 'The Terry Fox Story.' It starred Eric Fryer, a young Canadian actor who looked hauntingly like Terry and was also a same-leg amputee.

Terry died in June of 1981 and by May of 1983 'The Terry Fox Story' aired on the CTV network and on HBO. It was the very first movie made for cable TV and it went on to win multiple Genie awards, including the best actor award for Fryer.

I was a prop man on the movie and one of my duties was looking after Eric's artificial leg which he occasionally had to take off. One day, while we were on location in a hallway at Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto, I put the leg on top of a laundry hamper while Eric took a break.

I was momentarily called away and when

I returned the laundry hamper was missing. Apparently it had been taken away by an orderly. "You've lost Terry Fox's leg?" the Assistant Director (AD) screamed incredulously. "We're finally ready to shoot again, and you've lost his leg? Go find the bleeping thing right now or you're out on your keester." It was Eric's leg, but I didn't think he'd appreciate the correction. More importantly, shooting couldn't continue without the leg and my job was on the line.

"Where do they put the dirty laundry," I asked an orderly as he walked by. "Down the laundry chute," he replied. "Where does the chute go?" "To the basement," he said.

I took off like a scalded cat down several flights of stairs until I finally reached the basement where I started rummaging around in the dirty linens container which was located under the chute exit. Then, there it was, a plastic leg, looking bizarrely like the real thing, sticking out of the sheets and towels. I quickly retrieved the leg and got it back on set just before the axe fell on my career. Eric Fryer couldn't stop laughing as he strapped on the prosthetic.

Another incident I remember vividly had to do with the Hells Angels bike club. In 1980 when Fox was running along highway 401 near Oshawa, about 20 Angels on bikes slowly passed Fox's lead van and threw donation money into the open window.

We had to replicate that scene for the movie, and in so doing ended up hiring those same Hells Angels. One of my duties that day was to look after the money (someone insisted on using the real thing), and I handed out fives, tens and twenties to the biggest, scariest looking dudes imaginable.

Everything went well, with the bikers throwing the money into the moving van as they roared past on their Harleys; but I was told later that quite a few of them only faked the throw and kept the bucks.

"OK Farrell, we've only got half the cash back, it's up to you to go get the rest from those bikers," the heartless AD ordered. I sweated all night wondering how I'd approach the bikers the next day when we were to use them again.

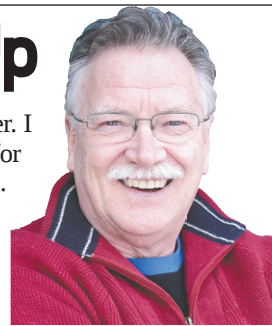
I came on set bleary-eyed and I skulked

up to the head biker. I boldly asked him for the rest of the cash.

He just sneered at me, and seeing my sweaty discomfort,

started a wicked laugh. To my surprise the whole movie crew was laughing too. It slowly dawned on me that the Angels had not stolen cash and that the AD, with the aid of the crew and the bikers, had pulled off a not-so-funny joke at the expense of yours truly and the whole prop department. I was not amused at the time, and I never quite lived it down either.

But the movie helped to spread the word about Terry and the Foundation to the world at large, and every year when the Terry Fox run occurs my mind races back to those days of lost prosthetics, hairy bikers, and my very small contribution to the cause. I have to admit the memories do bring a reluctant smile to my face.



By George Farrell

What's Up

THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS

IN SEASON, EVERY SEASON

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

HEARING DATE: September 30, 2013
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE AND ADDRESS: Municipal Council Chambers
7 Milne Street,
Minden, Ontario.

In the matter of Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended and in the matter of Zoning By-law No. 06-10 as amended.

File No. MV A16/2013, Part Lot 10, Concession 2, geographic Township of Lutterworth – Lilypad Lane
Purpose: The Applicant requires relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, to permit an accessory structure within the required front yard setback in the Shoreline Residential Zone. The following variance is required:

1. From Sections 4.1.3 a) and 5.2 to permit an accessory structure 11.6 metres (38 feet) from the high water mark. The required front yard setback in the Shoreline Residential Zone is 23 metres (75.5 feet); therefore the applicant requires a variance of 11.4 metres (37.4 feet).

File No. MV A19/2013, Part Lot 29, Concession 14, geographic Township of Hindon – Clansman Drive
Purpose: The Applicant requires relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, to permit an addition to their non-complying dwelling in the Shoreline Residential Zone. The following variances are required:

1. From Section 4.7.4 ii) to permit the extension of a non-complying dwelling 8.2 metres (27 feet) from the High Water Mark.
2. From Section 4.7.4 v) to increase the coverage of the building by 38% more than the 25% permitted increase (the proposed building will be 63% larger than the existing building).

File No. MV A20/2013, Part Lot 10, Concession 1, geographic Township of Snowdon – Conway Road
Purpose: The Applicant requires relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10 as amended, to construct a deck within the required front yard setback in the Shoreline Residential Zone. The following variances are required:

1. From Section 4.7.4 ii) to reduce the front yard setback from 18.3 metres (60 feet) to 13.4 metres (44 feet).
2. From Section 4.7.4 v) to increase the coverage of a non-complying dwelling by 32% more than the 25% permitted increase (the proposed structure will be 57% larger than the existing structure).

ANY PERSON may attend the public hearing and/or make written comments to the Township of Minden Hills either in support of, or in opposition to the proposed minor variance.

NOTICE OF DECISION - A copy of the Committee's decision will be sent to the Applicant and to each person who appeared in person or by counsel at the public hearing and who has filed a written request for notice of the decision with the Secretary-Treasurer.

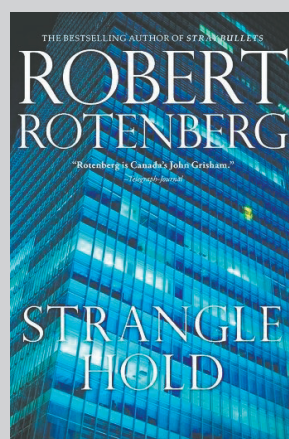
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application will be available for public inspection until noon on the day of the meeting at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department during normal office hours.

Dated this 19th day of September, 2013

Adam King, M.R.M.
Secretary-Treasurer
Committee of Adjustment

Haliburton County's Hot Reads

The following are the top five fiction and non-fiction titles as requested this week at the Haliburton County Public Library.



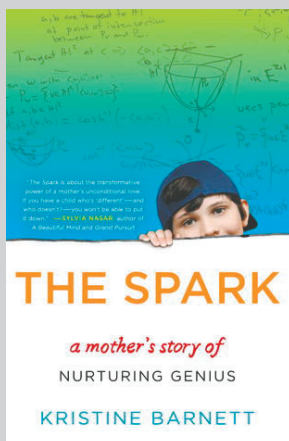
HCPL's TOP FIVE FICTION

1. *Stranglehold* by Robert Rotenberg 🇨🇦
2. *Mistress* by James Patterson
3. *Inferno* by Dan Brown
4. *And the Mountains Echoed* by Khaled Hosseini
5. *Never Go Back: a Jack Reacher novel* by Lee Child

HCPL's TOP FIVE NON-FICTION

1. *The Spark: a mother's story of nurturing genius* by Kristine Barnett
2. *Wave: a memoir* by Sonali Deraniyagala
3. *Happy Money: the science of smarter spending* by Elizabeth Dunn
4. *The Juggler's Children: a journey into family, legend and the genes that bind us* by Carolyn Abraham
5. *I Dreamed I was a Very Clean Tramp: an autobiography* by Richard Hell

One title that is new to our high holds list this week is Lee Child's latest Jack Reacher novel entitled *Never Go Back*. The 18th instalment in this massively popular series finds Jack Reacher back in Virginia and nearing the headquarters of his old unit the 110th MP. Reaching his destination he finds an unexpected surprise, a game changer that turns the hunter into the hunted. *Never Go Back* can be reserved in print, talking book, and e-book formats from the Haliburton County Public Library.



LIBRARY NEWS: On Sept. 19 from 3-4:30 p.m., the Shakespeare and Theatre Club will be meeting at

the Dysart Branch of the Haliburton County Public Library. This session's theme is what does it mean to be human? We will be examining Shakespearean plays including *The Tempest*, *Cymbeline*, and *The Winter's Tale*, as well as Samuel Beckett's *Waiting for Godot*.

On Sept. 26 at noon The Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library will be hosting a Lunch and Learn event with photographer Tim Tofflemire, who will share his mountain climbing adventure in Banff, Alberta. This event will be held at the Community Room on 13523 Hwy 118 in Haliburton and tickets are \$20 per person, which includes a buffet lunch, the presentation, and door prizes. For tickets call Brenda at 705-457-2695.

Highlander business

Woodpecker's Cabin newest art stop

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

County artists and artisans have a new place to sell their creations.

The Woodpecker's Cabin opened its doors on Sept. 1. Owners Al and Tammy Cormier say it's a place to find woodcrafts, home décor, arts and more.

"It's anything local people want to sell and need a place to sell from," Al said. "We provide it for them."

"We want to support local artisans and crafters," Tammy added.

The business model is simple. People who want to sell their work rent floor or booth space at The Woodpecker's Cabin. This allows them to put their wares up for sale. The store then takes a percentage of any sale that is made.

"People building the things and selling will make most of the money. We'll provide them a place to do that."

Al got the idea for the store from trying to find a place to sell his woodworking creations.

"I've done woodworking as a hobby for a long time," he said. "I've been looking for a place to sell my stuff, so I just recently decided to open a store to help others."

The couple lives in north Kawartha, where these types of store are very popular.

"In Kawartha Lakes there's a demand for it," Tammy said. "To get booth space, there are waiting lists. We knew there were



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Al and Tammy Cormier are the proud owners of The Woodpecker's Cabin.

a lot of artisans up here in the area, and we thought we could help them out as well as ourselves."

Right now most of the items for sale in the store were made by Al, however there are a few people who have brought some items in.

"We're not having yard sale items," Tammy explained. "It's not just stuff they have sitting around in their basements."

Only quality items will be accepted for display in the store, including refinished

items, stained glass, art and painting.

"We've had some good response [from artisans]," she said. "We've had quite a few interested. There are a few busy right now with galleries and studio tours, but we're hoping to have another potter in soon."

The store also takes custom orders for woodworking and signs.

Al said they decided to open now so they would be well-established come the spring. They plan to have a grand opening of the store, located at 83 Maple Avenue, Unit 100

in Haliburton, where Teddy Time used to be.

They found the location over the summer when they were driving through town. After seeing the sign, they contacted the posted number and were inside viewing the space five minutes later.

"Everything fell in place at the right time," Tammy said.

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Highlander life

CREW knocks down barriers to employment

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

It's never too late to make a change, and Brandon Lewis is proof.

The 55-year-old was working for himself in construction. One day he decided he was too old to be climbing ladders, so he paid a visit to the Fleming CREW Employment Centre in Haliburton.

Since he was a boy, he wanted to work in law. The only problem was that Lewis did not complete high school.

Marion Willemsen, program coordinator and faculty for Fleming College's Haliburton academic upgrading program, works in tandem with the employment centre to fill academic gaps the clients may have.

"They think they can't go back to school because they don't have Grade 12, but we can help them finish their Grade 12," she said. "Then they might come through and do Second Career or some of the other programs offered here."

That's exactly the path Lewis took.

"People are apprehensive," he said. "I know I was until I got into the program."

He began working on his Academic and Career Entrance (ACE) certificate, which is the equivalent of a high school diploma. Nearly five months are completing his certificate, Lewis was enrolled in a college law clerk program, funded by the province through Second Career. Bernie Nicholson, employment and training consultant at the

centre, helped him apply for the funding.

"The success really belongs to the program and facilitators," he said. "They prepared me for college. The support was there every single day."

As a child, Lewis couldn't stand school. But the relaxed and flexible atmosphere at the centre made it easier for him.

"It didn't take very long before I realized there's nobody cracking the whip."

After finishing his previous college year with distinction, and having less than a year left to go in the program, Lewis is looking ahead to his future.

"I'm hoping to get into the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) legal department, or possibly the Lindsay or Minden court," he said. "I want to work in the legal industry for sure."

Willemsen said Lewis is a success story for the centre, but that his situation is not unique. Often clients come into the employment centre looking for work, and the consultant realizes there are gaps in their academics. In those cases, she assists with the upgrading, then refers the client back to the consultants to discuss post-secondary programs, or to



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers
Bernie Nicholson (left), Kim Quigley, Brandon Lewis and Marion Willemsen.

help with resumes or job hunting.

"We all operate together," Nicholson said. "It's very fluid between us."

Anyone can upgrade their academics, in either math, communication or computers. Other subjects, like biology and chemistry, are also upgraded when working through the ACE certificate program.

The employment centre offers a variety of services for employees and employers alike, including career assessment and planning, job search counselling and more.

Kim Quigley, who is also an employment and training consultant, said there are many reasons why people need help finding work. "When you're looking for a job, sometimes there are a lot of different factors that impact

a person's ability to hold on to a job, or find a job," she said. "We assist with [overcoming] any barriers to employment."

Nicholson added that with layoff season around the corner, it's a great opportunity to evaluate career options.

"That's a great time for people to come and develop a plan," she said. "Then they have time to implement that plan in the winter while they're laid off, so in the spring they have options."

She added there are many options available, but people just don't know what's out there.

Willemsen said all the services provided, both in academic upgrading and at the employment centre, are free of charge.

"Just because they don't have their Grade 12 doesn't mean they can't achieve things they wish for," she said. "We're here to help them reach their goals."

For Lewis, overcoming his apprehension, walking through the doors and following through on the plan that was set up for him has been a life-changing experience.

"With this program, it shouldn't just be about the ACE certificate," he said. "Whether they want to brush up, get their ACE or go to college, you can't come here with intent on learning and leave without learning. You will know more when you leave than when you came in the door."

For more information on services that are offered at the employment centre, visit www.flemingcrew.ca.

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Norm Price (left), treasurer; Tina Jackson; John Atkins, chairman of the board; Anne Patterson, director; and Lorrie Polito, executive director; cut the ribbon at the grand opening.

Homelessness organization opens Minden office

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

A Place Called Home, a Lindsay-based not-for-profit that expanded its physical presence into the Highlands earlier this year, has officially opened its new offices in Minden.

The organization has long serviced the county, but only recently secured funding to have a satellite office located here. The grant was provided by the United Way Greater Simcoe County.

"Haliburton has always been in our coverage area, but we really have not ever had the funds to physically be here," said Tina Jackson, homeless prevention services coordinator for Haliburton. "We were so lucky to get grant money... that enabled us to rent an office space, send me up here, get trained and have some funds available to provide all of the services we provide in Lindsay, up here."

The non-profit started in Lindsay almost 20 years ago to tackle poverty and homelessness.

"[We have] a fairly unique shelter," Jackson said. "It's not one that is found much across Ontario because we will take men, women and children."

The shelter is available for people who have been burned out of their homes, youth over the age of 16 who are fleeing from a bad home situation, single parents with their children in need of a place to stay and so on.

"We'll really take anybody that needs assistance."

Although a shelter will not be built in Haliburton, Jackson said she is able to send people to Lindsay if they require that service. However, if moving to Lindsay

would result in job loss, removing a parent from their child, or negatively impacting education, she has funds available to put clients up in hotels.

"We will do everything in our power to make sure people stay in this community," she said.

A Place Called Home also offers a home energy program, where the organization will provide assistance if the client is disconnected from Hydro, or is in need of fuel for heat in the winter, such as oil or wood. Jackson said they work to create payment arrangements or connect clients with other community organizations that can assist.

"The goal is to ensure that the client is sustainable and is able to stay in their home once that energy crisis has been resolved."

The organization provides an identity program where they help clients secure important documents such as birth certificates or SIN cards. They'll go so far as to assist with research if the client needs to know their mother's maiden name, for example.

"We offer assistance to anybody who needs identification for a specific reason and is low income," Jackson said. "It's about what the client needs in order to accomplish their goals."

Other services include youth transition, advocacy, and homelessness prevention programs.

Jackson said the services provided by A Place Called Home are much needed in the county.

"The level of poverty that is in this community... it's obvious and there is such a need."

The organization's funding will be

terminated at the end of December.

Jackson is working to secure funding from within the community, and writing grants, to ensure she is able to stay in the Highlands.

"I will dig my claws in," she said. "I am

pretty committed to staying here."

The new offices are located at 146 Bobcaygeon Road in Minden. For more information, call Jackson at 705-306-0565.



By Matthew Desrosiers

Quilted placemats for Meals on Wheels

The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild has donated 306 quilted placemats to Community Care's Meals on Wheels program. The 97-member guild started work on the placemats back in May. This is the second year the guild has supported Community Care. Last year they donated 53 lap quilts to the organization to give to their clients. Hilary Elia, resource development coordinator for Community Care Haliburton County, said last year's donation was well-received by her clients. "These quilts have meant so much to these people." She said there are 288 clients of the Meals on Wheels program, so each one will receive their own unique quilted placemat.

Pictured above: Hilary Elia (left), receives 306 quilted donations from Deborah Worsfold and Sharon Littlehurst of the lap quilt committee.

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Unity sought in fight against invasive species

By Lisa Harrison
Contributing writer

The Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) has released an invasive species discussion paper for review, and the county is concerned some proposed actions may result in downloading of responsibilities.

The MNR reports current efforts to monitor and control invasive species have not kept pace with the rate and scale of invasions and there are “many gaps” in the current management and regulatory framework. It issued the paper in August for input from all provincial stakeholders, including the public, about what a new framework should contain.

Managing invasive species “requires a province-wide plan of attack,” agrees Jane Tousaw, county planning director. “That’s fine as long as it’s not a mechanism to download responsibility to already strapped municipalities.”

Tousaw says through proposed partnership expansion the county would benefit from more and better information along with tools used by other municipalities.

“As long as this is collaborative, we’re really on board.”

The MNR paper defines invasive species as “alien species whose introduction or spread threatens the environment, the economy and/or society, including human health”. The ministry reports Ontario has the highest invasion risk of any province or territory due in part to its highly industrialized, urban and mobile nature, and proximity to major international shipping routes.

According to the MNR, it is estimated that over 1,000 non-native species are spreading throughout Ontario. The province spends up to \$91 million annually just to manage zebra mussels. Over the next 10 years, the emerald ash borer beetle could cost Canadian municipalities up to a billion dollars in the treatment, removal and replacement of affected ash trees.

Invasive species also affect biodiversity. The MNR reports the Asian carp has become the dominant fish species in the U.S. Mississippi River basin and displaced dozens of native species there.

“Recent estimates suggest that 66 per cent of Ontario’s species at risk are

threatened by invasive species, with many other species vulnerable to their impacts,” the MNR paper reads.

Ontario’s monitoring and management strategies to date include developing the Invasive Species Centre in Sault Ste. Marie and the Ontario Invasive Species Strategic Plan (OISSP), released in 2012. The Canada-Ontario Agreement Respecting the Great Lakes Basin Ecosystem is designed to restore and protect that ecosystem, and the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement between Canada and the U.S. is designed to eliminate new introductions of aquatic invasive species to the lakes. Ontario is also a member of the Council of Great Lakes Governors and Premiers, which has established an Alien Invasive Species task force, and partners with other organizations in monitoring and management.

The discussion paper proposes a risk-based approach in five action areas to improve Ontario’s ability to manage this “urgent and growing” problem: develop a management priority list, develop management plans for high-risk species, create tools for MNR partners for activities such as monitoring and reporting, create tools to enable local governments and partners to prevent species introduction and assist with control and management, and strengthen enforcement and penalties.

The MNR included several questions in the discussion paper and county council approved staff’s recommended answers, including agreement with the MNR’s proposed categorizing of species, and with allowing non-native species that are not a threat and are beneficial.

The county’s longest answer centred on partnership expansion, recognizing the benefits but adding that expanded partnerships could increase workloads and responsibilities for municipalities that may not have the expertise, capacity or finances to implement effective programs.

As well, council sent a letter to the MNR acknowledging benefits of the proposed partnerships but emphasizing concerns about potential downloading.

For more information on the MNR discussion paper and invasive species in Ontario, visit the Biodiversity section on the MNR website at www.mnr.gov.on.ca.

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Surprised Sandra scores a perfect zero

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Who says nobody is perfect?

Sandra Daoust, a Haliburton senior and first-time competitor in the 55+ Senior Games held at the Pinestone Resort last week, was just that on Sept. 10.

Daoust was competing in the three-kilometre precision walking event, where athletes must predict how long it will take them to complete the course. Whoever is closest to their time, or has the lowest variance, wins gold.

Hers was zero. A perfect score.

"Frankly, I still wonder about beginner's luck," she said.

As someone who has battled physical limitations over the past few years, Daoust feels lucky to have been able to compete.

"I always hung on to my walking," she said. "It's not about being the fastest or the best always, but it's about being active."

Her husband was involved with the games, so she decided to participate as an athlete.

After trying for euchre, she ended up competing in the precision walking qualifier earlier this summer. She had only practiced the course and timed herself once prior to that walk.

Her prediction on that day was only 30 seconds off.

"I was like 'you mean I'm really going to qualify?' I really didn't expect to."

When Daoust arrived at the Pinestone for

the regional games last week, it was hot and muggy.

"It felt like we were in Jamaica."

She predicted 30 minutes for the walk and got to work.

"I decided to put the same time down, which was a bit higher than what I did [during qualifying]," she said. "I was pretty red. I could feel it from that heat when I finished, but you're there to participate, right?"

She wasn't told right away about her perfect score. The results were posted just before dinner and her fellow competitors started gathering around to congratulate her on the amazing feat.

"People noticed it because it's not something you see very often," she said.

"It was my moment of glory. In my sixties, I didn't think anything like that would be happening."

"This surprised me. I did it."

Matt Trinnear, manager of the games, looked through his records over the last three years of provincial and regional games and couldn't find any other examples of a zero variance in any of the prediction events.

Daoust said she was impressed by the reaction of her fellow competitors.

"They were genuinely happy for somebody else's win," she said. "There is competition for sure, that's why some folks are there... but sometimes that competitive spirit is just about wanting to do your best."

She may have been a first-time competitor,



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Sandra Daoust achieved the remarkable: a perfect score in precision walking.

but her fellow walkers will be looking out for Daoust at the next games.

"I'm glad I did it and I'll do it again. I don't have a secrete recipe. If you find something

you like to do that you can do, enjoy it and try to move yourself a little bit forward. It's about good health and your well-being. Being active is a big part of it."



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Minden Terry Fox Run



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Left: Cyclists lead the way at the starting line of Minden's Terry Fox Run. Right: Event organizer Diane Peacock greets participants at Minden's 20th annual Terry Fox Run.

Highlanders keep Terry's dream alive

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Minden's 20th annual Terry Fox finished strong, with a total of \$15,600 raised for The Terry Fox Foundation.

"We raised about \$3,000 more than last year," said event organizer Diane Peacock on Sept. 16. Peacock expected more funds to come in after the event.

A total of 159 people participated in the Sept. 15 event, which got off to an early morning start at the Minden community centre. Together they ran, walked and biked along a 10-kilometre route that was set up in the town.

"This community is definitely keeping Terry's dream alive," said Peacock during the opening ceremony.

Over the past 19 years, the Minden run has raised over \$200,000 for cancer research. Peacock read a congratulatory letter from Martha McClew, provincial director of The Terry Fox Foundation.

"You have a passion for Terry and the cause that outstrips communities more than five times your size," wrote McClew. "The money you work so hard to raise is being used well by the researchers and scientists in labs across the country who are seeking the secrets behind the early detection, treatment and a cure for all cancers."

The 2013 organizing committee was comprised of 14 volunteers. Peacock recognized each of them at the start of the event.

"Without these people, there would be no Terry Fox Run in Minden," she said.

The names of several local cancer survivors and those currently battling the disease were then read out by Peacock. Each member of "Terry's Team" could be spotted by their red Terry Fox shirt.

Before sending off the participants, a brief dedication was made to two individuals who recently lost their battles. The first was Kyle Miller, a family friend of Peacock's and a member of the provincial Terry's Team.

The other was Toos Reid, a well-loved local resident who passed away from leukemia last month. Her widower, Ron Reid, and daughter and grandchildren were in attendance for the emotional moment.

Over the past 33 years, The Terry Fox Foundation has raised over \$600 million for cancer research. For every dollar raised, 84 cents goes directly to the cause.

Over 9,000 runs take place throughout the world each year, with the largest single event being held in Cuba.

Minden's most successful year was in 2011, when the event raised over \$19,000 in pledges.



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Haliburton Terry Fox Run



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Left: Volunteer Kathy Foster sells Terry Fox shirts at the start of the event. Right: A couple of young participants run through Head Lake Park.

Families team up to battle cancer

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Haliburton's Terry Fox Run raised just over \$3,000 and saw 80 people participate in the annual event.

"It was definitely more upbeat this year," said event organizer Walter Tose.

The Sept. 15 event began at the town dock and led walkers, runners and cyclists along a route that circled Head Lake. Participants had the option of doing either five or 10 kilometres (two laps).

Although the event raised half of last year's total, Tose was pleased to see more families participating.

"The family participation was up from last year and that is very encouraging as my goal next year is to get a team concept going, so family groups fit right into that

idea," he said.

The event was made possible by 22 volunteers and several business sponsorships.

Canoe FM personalities Mike Jaycock and Lorraine McNeil wrote inspiring messages along the route.



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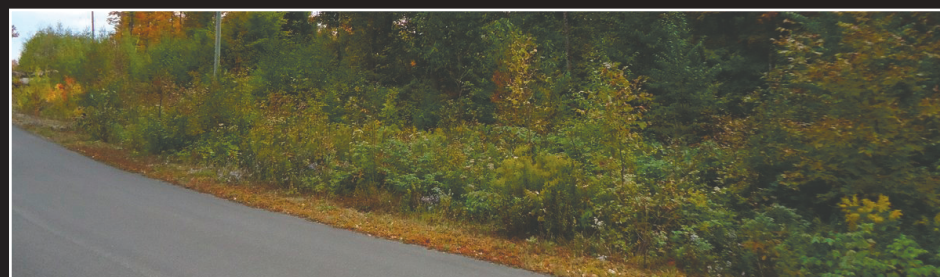
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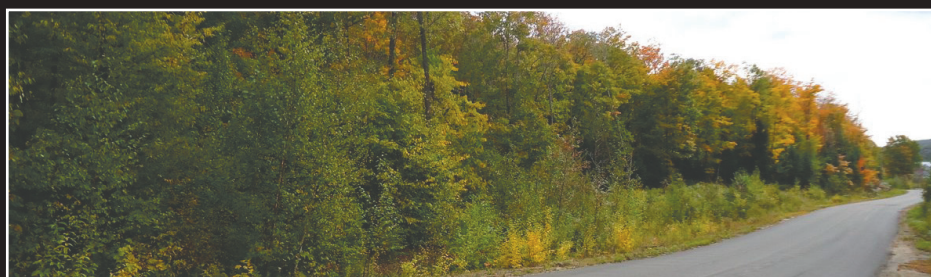


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Anton Morton keeps control of his bike as he is launched into the air going over a small jump.

Sir Sam's hosts final O-Cup race

High speed and high spirits as Ontario cyclists meet

By Warren Riley
Sports writer

Several hundred spectators blew horns and trumpets at the last race of the season for the Ontario cup #4 Tuf Rack Provincial Championships hosted by Sir Sam's Ski and Bike on Eagle Lake. Although the skies were threatening, the rains held off making the downhill course fast and furious.

The Sept. 15 event witnessed 137 cyclists careen down twisted and winding trails at breakneck speeds. Several racers literally ran off the course or missed a bend and fell damaging their bikes. Others, trying to make up for lost time, went out of control and slid into bushes

or rocks and never crossed the finish line. A few artistic racers showed their coordination by performing unique jumps and tricks for the crowd by riding high into the air over a jump.

Not all cyclists were from Ontario.

Alek Campbell travelled six hours from Montreal to participate in the race.

"I've been bike racing for five years now and I really love it," he said. "I enjoy the challenge of bike racing and came today just to compete and have a lot of fun."

"I'm not a professional bike racer but I want to race with the professionals and acquire their knowledge to improve myself," continued Campbell. "I didn't find the course difficult but comparing it to what I'm used to in Quebec, ours are more technical; trails with more rocks, slower turns and steeper at times. On this course I knew I could be better but I was a little bit stressed resulting in a poor time for myself."

For host Chris Bishop, it's all about camaraderie, friendship and having a

wonderful time.

"The riders prefer our venue than any of the others in the O-Cup series," said Bishop. "We are very cooperative and supportive for the racers. Other venues won't allow the bikers to have a 16-inch trail or go on the hills as they might scar it all up. Here [at Sir Sam's] you are dealing with the three of us and not employees that don't know what to do. We have camping facilities so people don't have to stay in motels and it helps them to keep their costs down."

Bishop is excited about a jam-packed weekend to take place next year.

"We are going to have four bike races in one weekend," he continued. "We are hosting a 16-inch race where big guys ride little bikes, a super D, which is kind of a cross country, and a downhill, an Enduro, which is to test rider's technical bike handling skills as well as providing endurance and climbing, and the O-Cup again."

Final results:

Hard Tail (19+) 1st place: Nick Outram of Eastside Cycle Racing

Minime (13-14) 1st place: Joshua Marangoni Eastside Cycle Racing.

Cadet (15-16) 1st place: Adam Robbins, Adrenaline Racer/ToWheels.

Expert / Elite Female 1st place: Adriana Vegter, Sweet Pete's-Primary

Junior Sport (17-18) 1st place: Chris Heron of Nobel.

Senior Sport (19-29) 1st place: Trevor Cook of Bracebridge.

Master (30-39) 1st place: Brandon Cassell, Adrenaline Racer/ToWheels.

Senior Elite (19+) 1st place: Tom Kakamousias of Toronto



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Michael Hermanovsky of Silent Sports hams it up for the crowd.

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Photo submitted by Keith Cunningham

Left: Keith Cunningham (left), Linda Miller, Retired Lieutenant Colonel Bill Molnar, Dick Smith, and Aaron Grubin pose with their championship trophy. Right: Keith Cunningham is chaired off the range after winning the service rifle championships.

Highlands marksmen aim to win

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Canada's top marksmen were crowned earlier this month at the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association's (DCRA) National Service Conditions Championships.

Three of them live in the Highlands.

Keith Cunningham and Linda Miller own and operate the MilCun Training Centre in Minden Hills. They're also members of the Operational Shooting Association (OSA), and shoot with fellow Minden resident Dick Smith, and Aaron Grubin of Timmins.

The four-person team competed in the championships together from Aug. 29 to Sept. 7 at the Connaught Rifle Range in Ottawa.

The DCRA was founded in 1868 to support marksmanship in Canada. Cunningham said there is a lot of history and tradition associated with the championships.

Shooters come from across the country and the United States, and include both military personnel and civilians.

"It's one of the few opportunities where civilians and military shoot shoulder to shoulder under the same match conditions," Cunningham said.

The matches test the shooters' abilities in operational drills using three different types of firearms. First is the service rifle, followed by sniper rifles, and finally handguns.

"You shoot these [service rifle] matches with some kind of semi-automatic rifle," he said. "It was done with a bolt-action back when bolt-actions were a service rifle."

Competitors shoot from 200, 300, 400, and 500 metres. There are four different types of shooting you do at each distance.

The first is deliberate, where you pick

your shots and each is scored. The next is snap, where you have to drop from standing into a kneeling position at 200 metres, or prone at longer distances, and you have 10 seconds to fire two shots.

Then there is rapid fire, where you start standing then drop into a shooting position and have to fire five shots, change the magazine, and fire another five into a different target.

"It's a very fast, very busy 30 seconds," Cunningham said.

Lastly, and possibly the most challenging, is the rundown.

You start by running 100 metres to the 500 - metre distance, adopt the required position and make your shot. Then you have to run another 100 metres to the next distance and do it again, until you've shot all distances.

"There are techniques we use to minimize the effects of that run, because you do have to get calm and get into a stable position that will deliver the shots."

As you change distances, you also have to remember to adjust your sights accordingly.

"It's gruelling," he said. "There are 16 matches in Stage 1. The top 50 per cent of the range moves on to Stage 2, and there are four more matches there."

After 20 matches, Cunningham earned the most points and won the individual service rifle title for the fourth time in his career. The four-person group also won the team title for service rifles.

One particular match stood out for Cunningham. It was during a rundown.

"I scored a perfect score on it," he said. "Fifty out of 50 and won that match. I was the oldest person on the range shooting that particular match."

Smith competed in the wounded warrior service rifle shoot, which has the same requirements except it does not require shooters to complete the rundown portion. He came in first place in that division as well.

The team also competed in the sniper contests.

Smith explained that sniper competitions are shot in pairs. One shoots while

the other acts as a spotter. Cunningham and Miller paired up to win the sniper championship, while Smith shot with Grubin and also performed very well. As an overall team, they were once again at the top of their class.

Dick Smith

"It's a team, a real team," Smith said. "You have to work together. You have to watch the wind like a hawk and interpret it."

As with the service rifle, there are different types of shots that must be made, including a rapid follow-up where different targets come up and you have to shoot two within eight seconds.

Teams must shoot at increasing distances up to 800 metres.

Finally the OSA group competed in handguns.

"That's a series of skills and drills," Cunningham said.

While the team came in second place in handguns, first place was awarded to an OSA affiliate out of Toronto, a member

of which also won the individual title and overall tournament title.

"They had depth on their team," he said. "We don't think of it as losing at all."

After all three competitions, Cunningham came in third place overall. The OSA MilCun group, however, was the top team at the tournament. Three of their four shooters are over the age of 60.

"The skill range of the shooters is variable, but the folks who are shooting towards the upper end are very good," Smith said. "The competition is very stiff at the high end. The matches are won or lost on the position shooting."

Cunningham said the key to success in the service rifle shoots was nailing the 200 metre distance, because it's at that range you can lose the match.

"It's hard to gain on anybody," he said. "It's all prone from there back, and it's reading the wind. They're all good at reading the wind. It's hard to catch up what you've lost at the 200 metres. You really do need to do well on the 200 and hold your own the rest of the way."

During the award ceremony, Cunningham received his service rifle award from his son, Lieutenant Colonel Wes Cunningham, who is in the airforce.

"There's a tradition that only exists here at the DCRA, whereby the winners are chaired off the range. You're hoisted on the shoulders of your teammates and carried off the range."

Cunningham has won 18 national titles at these championships, including four service rifle titles and seven sniper titles. Miller is also a highly-decorated shooter, and is the only woman to ever win a sniper title in these championships. She accomplished the feat in 2008.

For more information on the National Service Conditions Championships, visit www.dcra.ca. To find out more about the OSA, visit www.osacanada.ca.

You have to work together. You have to watch the wind like a hawk and interpret it.

Highlander sports

Red Hawks football teams: bring it on



By Warren Riley
Sports writer

If practice sessions are any indication of preparedness, the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) football teams are ready, willing and able to beat their competition.

With a lineup of 33 players for the junior and senior teams, junior coach Bruce Griffith isn't the slightest bit concerned that he has eight Grade 9 students on the roster.

"Doesn't bother me in the least," said Griffith. "We're ready. We're going to be the winners this year."

Senior Red Hawk Devon Upton has three years under his belt as quarterback and has a 65 per cent passing average.

"I'll continue to improve my throwing skills," said Upton. "I intend to bring my percentage up which will help us to win more games."

The Red Hawks take to the field on Sept. 19 at the high school. Kickoff is at 3:30 p.m.

The HHSS football time is ready for the season.

Photo by Warren Riley

Big kids on little bikes

By Warren Riley
Sports writer

Although often disputed, one version of the story tells of a Scotsman by the name of Kirkpatrick MacMillan in 1839 who built the first mechanically-propelled, two-wheeled vehicle which we now call a bicycle. If by chance MacMillan could have seen the 16-inch race on Sept. 14 at Sir Sam's, he would have turned over in his grave.

Watching grown men sitting bow-legged astride a 16-inch-high bicycle is bad enough. But sitting in the same position on these miniature bikes and racing down narrow winding dirt trails knowing perfectly well the end result could be catastrophic just didn't seem to faze any of these stunt riders. Negotiating corners was almost impossible as the centre of gravity does not allow a 140-pound man to sit atop a five-pound bike and execute a corner with any precision. The bike will just say 'goodbye' to the rider and go off in another direction.

Hundreds of spectators watched as these riders over-compensated for corners and underestimated their bikes capabilities. At times a few riders saw their bike stop on a dime after hitting a rock and give the rider nine cents change. In some situations, the bikes went flying off the trail and into the grass leaving the rider sitting in the dirt while others would hit a hole and send the rider flying.

All in all, the race was thrilling and everybody truly enjoyed the antics and the entertainment the cyclists gave the crowd.



Grown men ride kid bikes down the hill at Sir Sam's.

Photo by Warren Riley

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF A PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

COMPLETE APPLICATION

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has prepared a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law. The purpose of the Amendment is to revise Township's current Zoning By-law regulations regarding building and development on private roads.

AND PURSUANT to the provisions of the Planning Act, the application file including a map identifying the location of existing private roads and a draft Zoning By-law Amendment is available for review at the Township Office. Please contact Mr. Adam King in the Township's Planning Department if you would like to review this file.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

AND TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.P. 13 as amended, to inform the public of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Amendment.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING

Date: Thursday, October 10, 2013
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Municipal Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street

DETAILS OF THE AMENDMENT

Section 4.9 of the Township's current Zoning By-law prohibits new development on private roads unless the lands are located in the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone.

The purpose of the proposed zoning by-law amendment is to modify Section 4.9 so that existing vacant lots in non-SR Zones also are entitled to a building permit, provided such lots have frontage on an existing, confirmed private road identified in the Township's Official Plan (OPA 9). On this basis, the proposed amendment is accompanied with a map identifying the location of existing private roads, seasonally maintained roads and unassumed roads in the Township.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The proposed amendment applies to the entire Township and therefore a key map has not been appended to this notice. However, the proposed zoning by-law amendment and the related Schedule (map) identifying the location of private roads is available for review at the Township office.

The purpose of this meeting is to ensure that sufficient information is made available to enable the public to generally understand the amendment that is being considered by Council. Any person who attends the meeting shall be afforded an opportunity to make representations in respect of the proposed amendment.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed amendment, you must submit a written request (with forwarding addresses) to the Clerk of the Township of Minden Hills.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Council before the proposed amendment is adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills to the Ontario Municipal Board.

Information regarding the proposed Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or by calling Mr. Adam King at (705) 286-1260.

Mailing Date of this Notice: September 19, 2013

Nancy Wright-Laking – CAO/Clerk/EDO
Township of Minden Hills



NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF A PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

COMPLETE APPLICATION – RZ 13-11

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law. The purpose of the Amendment is to rezone lands located in Part of Lot 29, Concession 14 (Snowdon) to a Rural Residential Exception zone to zone the property appropriately for its use, to recognize a non-complying structure, and to restrict development adjacent to a wetland in accordance with the conditions of an application for consent.

AND PURSUANT to the provisions of the Planning Act, the application file including a survey sketch and a draft Zoning By-law Amendment is available for review at the Township Office. Please contact Mr. Adam King in the Township's Planning Department if you would like to review this file.

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DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING – RZ 13-11

Date: Thursday, October 10, 2013
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Municipal Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street

DETAILS OF THE AMENDMENT

The application has been made to amend provisions of the Township's Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13 to rezone certain lands generally located in Part of Lot 29, Concession 14, in the geographic Township of Snowdon on Gelert Road. The amendment would rezone the subject lands from the Rural Zone to the Rural Residential Exception Zone to zone the property appropriately for its use, to recognize a non-complying structure, and to restrict development adjacent to a wetland.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND KEY MAP

A key map showing the land to which the proposed amendment applies is provided below.

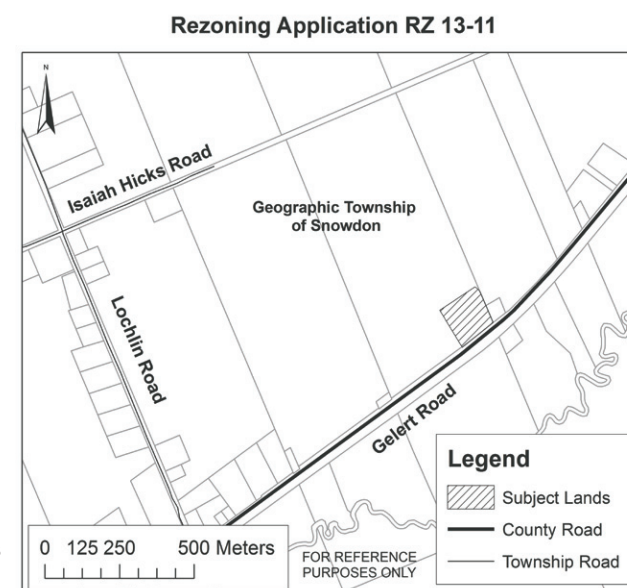
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HELP WANTED

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Please apply in confidence with your cover letter and resume to: oeycdaycare@bellnet.ca

We would like to thank all respondents; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Previous applicants need not re-apply.



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Do you have leadership and research skills and a passion for Haliburton County? This could be the job for you!

U-Links is hiring a **Director**. The ideal candidate will have experience in both qualitative and quantitative research, financial management, grant writing, and human resource management. A good knowledge of Haliburton County and of post-secondary education is also an asset. This is a 4 day/week, permanent position with flexible hours.

For a full job description or to apply please contact:
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U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research
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Phone: 705-286-2411
Email: ulinks@on.aibn.com
www.ulinks.ca

Applications must be received by September 23, 2013.
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Registered Nurse - Healthy Living Program (1.0 FTE)

The Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team is a primary health corporation dedicated to improving the health of the residents of Haliburton County. We are looking for an innovative and energetic Registered Nurse to join our team. Operating within his/her full scope of practice the RN will provide primary care nursing and the delivery of programs focusing on health promotion and disease prevention. Working in collaboration with an interdisciplinary team, the Registered Nurse will share expertise and knowledge of disease prevention and healthy living with clients and their families, as well as other health care professionals.

Qualifications, Skills and Experience;

- Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing is required.
- Current Registration with the College of Nurses of Ontario (CNO) is required.
- Current Ontario Driver's License.
- Demonstrated experience in a Primary Care Setting.
- Demonstrated experience in the area of health promotion and chronic disease prevention.
- Strong leadership, communication and program development skills.

Contact Information:

Please forward cover letter and resume by October 4, 2013 @ 5:00pm to hfmc@candlelight.ca

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

OBITUARIES



In Loving Memory of **John "Jack" Grant Taylor** (Retired from Molson's, Barrie)

Passed away peacefully at home in Minden on Saturday, September 14, 2013 with his loving family by his side. In his 74th year.

Beloved husband and best friend of Winn for 53 years. Loving father of Shelley (Dan) Jones of Barrie, Paul (Corrie) Taylor of Barrie, Scott (Teresa) Taylor of Frankford. Loving Popa of Cory, Dustin, Amanda, Erin, Kendra and Connor. Dear brother of Margaret and Reg Powell (both deceased), Wayne (deceased) and Joan Taylor, Norma and Sinclair Davies (both deceased), Laura and John Whyte (deceased), Hugh and Edna Taylor, Ruth and Bruce Castator, and Kirk Taylor. Lovingly remembered by his family and by his many friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden on Thursday, September 19, 2013 from 2:00 until 5:00 pm and then at the Minden United Church on Friday, September 20, 2013 from 10:00 am until the time of the Service to Celebrate Jack's Life at 11:00 am. Reception to follow downstairs at the Church. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Minden Health Care Auxiliary or to RVH "Regional Cancer Centre" would be appreciated.



www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

Highlander events



Photos by Matthew Desrosiers

Above: Mike Taylor drives his ball to start the HCSA golf tournament. Below: Bob and Gwen Bryant have been volunteering with the HCSA since 1967.

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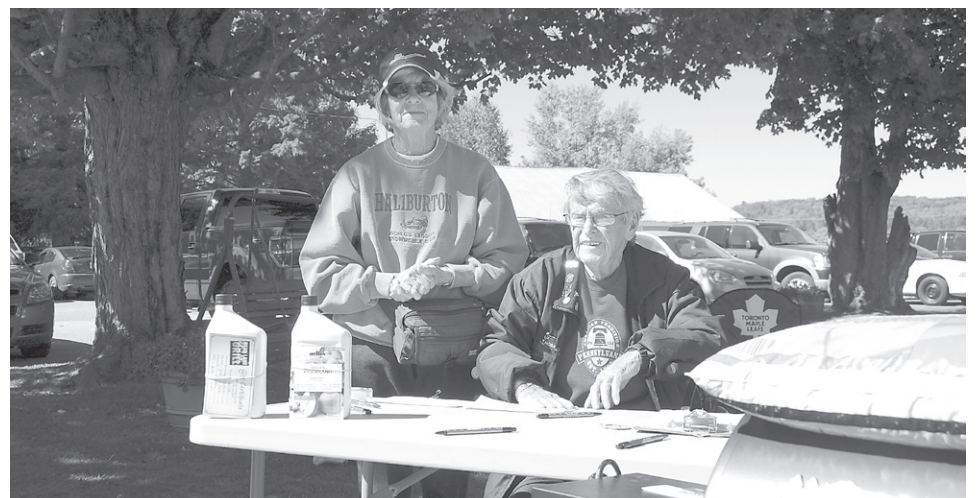
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 <p>Township of Minden Hills Municipal office & landfill sites 705-286-1260 www.mindenhill.ca</p>	 <p>Municipality of Dysart et al Municipal office & landfill sites 705-457-1740 www.dysartetal.ca</p>
 <p>Municipality of Highlands East Municipal offices 613-339-2442 www.highlandseast.ca</p>	 <p>Township of Algonquin Highlands Municipal offices & landfill sites 705-489-2379 www.algonquinhighlands.ca</p>

Space provided through a partnership between industry and Ontario municipalities to support waste diversion programs.



Fundraiser nets \$2,300 for HCSA

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA) held its annual golf tournament fundraiser this past weekend at the Lakeside Golf Club and raised \$2,300.

Linda Kay, one of the tournament's organizers, said normally they raise between \$6,000 to \$7,000.

"People are maxed out with golf tournaments and fundraising this year in particular," she said, adding that the HCSA is looking to try something different next year.

The sun was out and made for an excellent day on the greens for the 18 golfers who participated. They competed for a \$5,000 hole-in-one prize on the ninth hole donated by Northland Marine and Storage, and afterwards participated in a silent and live auction, as well as a raffle.

Funds raised during the event will be used to help with snowmobile trail maintenance and repair.

"It goes into our fundraising account," Kay said. "When we get to a point in the year when we need it for fixing up trails, we take it out of that account."

"There's a lot of damage done through the trails this year."

Normally the club likes to start work on the trails in December, but it depends on weather. Kay said the HCSA needs more help.

"We need more volunteers, some younger blood," she said. "It's a hard thing to get these days because of all the other important things going on in the community."

Despite that, Kay said snowmobiling is hugely important to the area.

The HCSA's next big fundraising is their annual poker run held in February.

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF A PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

COMPLETE APPLICATION – RZ 13-09

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law. The purpose of the Amendment is to rezone lands located in Part of Lot 1, Concession 4 (Anson) to a Rural Exception zone to recognize subject property's deficient frontage, and to restrict development adjacent to an Authorized Aggregate Site.

AND PURSUANT to the provisions of the Planning Act, the application file including a survey sketch and a draft Zoning By-law Amendment is available for review at the Township Office. Please contact Mr. Adam King in the Township's Planning Department if you would like to review this file.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.P. 13 as amended, to inform the public of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Amendment.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING – RZ 13-09

Date: Thursday, October 10, 2013
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Municipal Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street

DETAILS OF THE AMENDMENT

The application has been made to amend provisions of the Township's Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, C. P. 13 to rezone certain lands generally located in Part of Lot 1, Concession 4, in the geographic Township of Anson on Scotch Line Road. The amendment would rezone the subject lands from the Rural and Rural Residential Zones to the Rural Exception Zone to recognize subject property's deficient frontage, and to restrict development adjacent to an Authorized Aggregate Site.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND KEY MAP

A key map showing the land to which the proposed amendment applies is provided below.

The purpose of this meeting is to ensure that sufficient information is made available to enable the public to generally understand the amendment that is being considered by Council. Any person who attends the meeting shall be afforded an opportunity to make representations in respect of the proposed amendment.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed amendment, you must submit a written request (with a forwarding address) to the Clerk of the Township of Minden Hills.

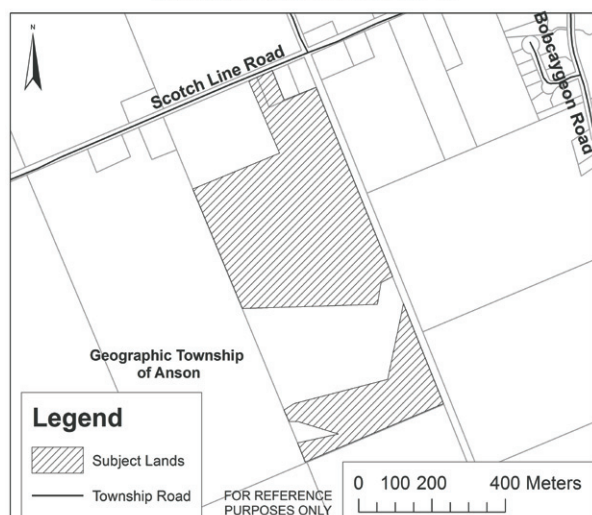
If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills to the Ontario Municipal Board. If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

Rezoning Application RZ 13-09

Information regarding the proposed Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or by calling Mr. Adam King at (705) 286-1260.

Mailing Date of this Notice:
September 19, 2013

Nancy Wright-Laking – CAO/
Clerk/EDO
Township of Minden Hills



By Mark Arike

Duo Diorama leaves audience spellbound

A classical musical treat came to the Highlands on Sept. 14 in the most recent soldout show hosted by the Haliburton Concert Series (HCS). Winston Choi and Minghuan Xu, also known as Duo Diorama, performed a number of sonatas written by famous composers such as Johannes Brahms, Maurice Ravel and Robert Pollock. Choi mastered the piano while Xu took listeners on a vibrant journey via violin. Choi was featured in the series two years ago when he performed a solo recital, but this was the first time that the married couple combined their talents on the Haliburton stage. This year marks the HCS's 35th season.



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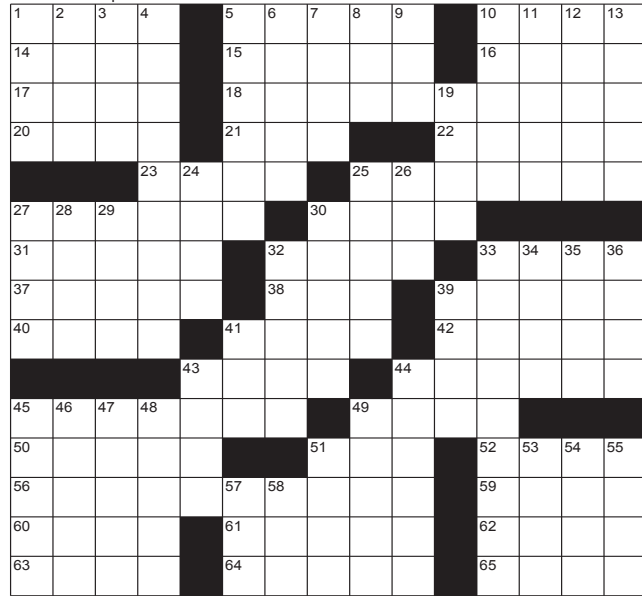
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1. Eve's partner
5. Desirable quality
10. Imitation
14. Long skirt
15. Gaze steadily
16. Brave person
17. Misfortunes
18. Alamo locale (2 wds.)
20. Food regimen
21. Antlered animal
22. Not outer
23. Alley
25. Set free
27. Emphasize
30. Winter shoe
31. Fry lightly
32. Plot
33. Cow's offspring
37. Pointer
38. Went first
39. Copier's need
40. Singer ____ Seeger
41. Glimpses
42. Loosen laces
43. ____ between the lines
44. Vouch for
45. Roads
49. Faithful
50. Take off
51. Go bad
52. Astronauts' gp.
56. Lacking precise limits
59. Cultivate
60. Dime, for one
61. Measuring device
62. Blue-pencil
63. Greek god of love
64. Adversary
65. Floor model

DOWN

1. In the center of
2. Surrealism's Salvador ____
3. Car part
4. Christmas doorway decoration
5. Agree
6. Like old bread
7. Went underwater
8. Period in history
9. Perfect gymnastics score
10. Gleamed
11. Hair coloring
12. Zodiac ram
13. Roger ____ (007 actor)
19. Slant
24. Afresh
25. Streets
26. Chunk of eternity
27. Kin of PDQ
28. Show concern
29. Blunt
30. Run, as colors
32. Earnest requests
33. Satisfied
34. Poker payment
35. Hawaiian necklaces
36. Stew
39. Ballerina's skirt
41. Tennis term
43. Coral formation
44. Blood vessel
45. Golfer's woe
46. Choir voice
47. AM-FM ____
48. Makes level
49. Carved pole
51. Annoy
53. Staff member
54. Svelte
55. Singing voice
57. Anger
58. Habit wearer

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Fun Fact:

Dogs have four toes on their hind feet, and five on their front feet.

SEPTEMBER 2013 EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Minden Sparks and Brownies meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Pickleball – Haliburton Highlands Secondary School gym, 7-9:45 p.m. \$4 and must have clean, indoor court or running shoes. Every Thursday.		11th Annual Women's Day – Lakeside Baptist Church, 9-3:30 p.m. 705-457-4744. Maple Fest – Lochlin United Church, 9-1 p.m. All you can eat pancake/sausage brunch. Empty bottle drive for the Minden Food Bank , - The Beer Store in Minden, 10-6 p.m.	Plein Air Painting workshop – The Art Hive, 9-11 a.m. Preregister at The Art Hive by dropping in, calling 705-754-0021 or emailing thearthive@live.ca.
19	20	21	22
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
	Minden Guides and Pathfinders meeting, 6:30-8 p.m. Contract Bridge – Minden United Church, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Contact 705-286-1305. Euchre – West Guilford Community Centre, 7 p.m.	Roller Derby Girls meet and greet – HHSS cafeteria, 7-8:30 p.m.	Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library's Lunch & Learn with Tim Tofflemire – Community Room, Haliburton, 12 p.m. \$20/person includes presentation, buffet luncheon and door prizes.
23	24	25	26
FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
Cribbage - (every Friday) - Community Care @ 1 p.m., 705-457-2941.	Spaghetti dinner – Maple Lake United Church, 5 p.m. & 6:30 p.m., \$12.		Send your not for profit events to ashley@haliburtonhighlander.ca for a free listing in our events calendar. Local events listings available at your finger tips!
27	28		
WHAT'S GOING ON AT YOUR LOCAL LEGION? SEPTEMBER 19 TH - 25 TH , 2013			
Haliburton Branch (705-457-2571) General meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30 p.m. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m. Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome!	Cribbage, Saturday, 1-3 p.m. Seniors "B-d" Euchre, Tuesday, 1 p.m. Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime Ladies Darts, Thursday, 1 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday from 5-7 p.m. Mixed darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m. NFL Sports Day, Sunday, noon – 5 p.m. Open Saturday & Sunday from 12-5 p.m. September 22 – Minden Cemetery Decoration Day, 2 p.m.	Wilberforce Branch (705-448-2221) Pool, Friday, 1:30 p.m. Spaghetti dinner, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Jam session, Friday, 7 p.m. Everyone welcome! Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m. Veteran's dinner, Sunday, 5 p.m. \$15/person Bid Euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.	

Send your
community events to
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Highland Street spruced up for Colourfest

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ColourFest 2013

HALIBURTON VILLAGE

SCARECROW CONTEST

Contest takes place on October 5th at 10 AM

Name your Scarecrow and pin the name you choose on to your Scarecrow!

Let us know your name too. Use your imagination!

Judging starts at 10:00 AM at the Village Barn.

Prize Categories:

1. Store or Business (note: Stores and businesses may display their scarecrows at their place of business and we'll come around to judge them. They must be in place by Friday at noon and you need to call and let us know you want to be judged!)
2. Individual or Family
3. Children under the age of 12
4. Live

Prizes for all entries. Great prizes for 1st and 2nd place in each category will be presented on stage at 11:00 AM

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What's on

Rising star set to rock Minden

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

His father's a legend and he's following in his footsteps.

At just 27 years old, Jordan John has mastered a variety of musical instruments – including his own voice. In fact, it's been said that he's a more powerful and polished lead vocalist and multi-instrumentalist than many players twice his age.

"I certainly had lots of encouragement to sing and play instruments growing up," said John, who was born in Oakville but also raised in Toronto.

John's father, Prakash John, is the highly-respected bassist who has played with Lou Reed, Alice Cooper and James Brown, among others. Prakash was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1997 as a member of Parliament Funkadelic.

As a child growing up, John knew little about his father's musical endeavours, other than the fact that he was a musician and a member of the R&B band The Lincolns. His high school friends told him about some of the big names his father had collaborated with.

"He's a very humble, private man," said John. "He also happens to be just a family man, and I don't think he really wanted me to be a musician even though he so beautifully groomed me to be a musician."

John says his father made many sacrifices over the course of his career to ensure that he and his brother experienced a normal childhood.

"We had many opportunities to move to Los Angeles and New York in the very early stage of my life, but my dad decided that it was in the best interests of his children and his family to stay here."

Not surprisingly, his father's side of the family was very musical.

"It was a very nurturing, supportive nucleus of musicians and music lovers," he said.

John's mother, Gail, wasn't a professional musician, but he distinctly remembers how she sang to him when he was a child.

"I stole her tone and my father's notes."

The young Canadian talent took piano lessons around the age of eight, but discovered he had no interest in the instrument. At 13 he was allowed to start



Photo by Bruno Wong

Jordan John will be playing the Dominion on Sept. 28.

playing the drums.

"I begged and pleaded with my parents for years, and my dad tried to bribe me and do anything he could to get me to not play any instrument," he explained.

Prakash introduced his son to many mentors who not only taught him how to play but provided him with much deeper insights.

"They taught me about music and how all the concepts are really the same for every instrument, and if you can apply those fundamental concepts then you will be able to play any instrument."

Their teachings stuck with John. He picked up the guitar at 20, bass at 22 and Hammond organ at 24.

Pursuing music as a career has always

seemed like a no-brainer for John.

"I'm first and foremost a fan of music – a music lover. Once I got my drum set at 13, I knew that this was what I was going to do."

According to a press release, John's music is a "refined essence of traditional based blues, soul and R&B." In his time he has already shared the stage with the likes of Jeff Healey, Burton Cummings, and Prince.

But one of his biggest career highlights came when he opened up for the "Queen of Soul", Aretha Franklin, at the 2011 Toronto Jazz Festival.

"It was an incredible highlight for me because Aretha is probably one of my top three influences," he said, pointing out that his performance was made possible because

of a personal request made by Franklin.

On Sept. 28, John, Prakash and drummer Michael Carbone will perform at The Dominion Hotel as part of the third annual Canadian Blues Legends Series. This will be John's first trip to the Highlands.

"We're looking forward to having nothing but a great time," said John. "We've heard nothing but good things about the crowds and the music fans in Minden, so we're very excited to be coming up there."

Fans and music lovers can expect to hear songs off his debut album, "New Day", and some well-known blues, country and Motown hits.

To purchase tickets for the 8:30 p.m. show call The Dominion Hotel at 705-286-6954.

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